JONESBORO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

REQUEST FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST

Notice is hereby given that the Jonesboro Metropolitan Planning Organization is seeking letters of interest from qualified consulting or software firms to develop an on-line community engagement/social media platform through which to encourage online public consultation in transportation planning.

Services will generally consist of consulting with staff to develop web and social media interfaces that will engage area residents in developing the long range transportation plan. The chosen methods should include the ability to analyze the extent of public participation and selected demographics of participants.

This project includes federal funds, and all work will be reviewed and approved by the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD). All work and contract requirements shall conform to the requirements of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and AHTD.

A letter of interest, together with primary contact information and the firm's qualifications and experience should be addressed to:

Steve Kent Purchasing Agent 300 South Church Street Jonesboro, AR 72401

Five sets of paper responses and one copy in pdf format on compact disc (CD) must be received no later than 2:00 p.m. (CDT), November 18, 2013. Any responses received after this deadline will not be considered.

After a review of all letters of interest received, selected firms will be furnished a scope of work and requested to submit proposals for accomplishing the work.

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